

# Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

SATURDAY.....MAY 29.

## Agents for the Free Press.

The following gentlemen are authorized to receive and receipt for subscriptions to the Free Press in their respective localities:—  
A. Heaton, Reg., County at large.  
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R. Martindale, Martindale.  
Maj. E. Hance, Mountain City.  
J. L. Basmore, Cedar Valley.  
J. D. Cady, Onion Creek.  
All postmasters are also authorized agents.

## HOME NEWS.

A FINE lot of Philadelphia shoes, just received at  
**JOHNSON & JOHNSON'S.**

### Blank Deeds

For sale at the FREE PRESS Book and News Depot.

EVERYTHING moving smoothly on at Briggs Emporium stock complete—fresh supplies constantly coming in.

ALL kinds of Lumber at Luling prices may be had at all times of W. H. Harris & Co Kingsbury, Texas. May 22-1 mo.

ALEXANDER'S popular Family Medicines are for sale at the drugstore of Reynolds & Daniel, San Marcos.

MR. CURTIS, the barber, has returned and opened a shop in the room heretofore used as an office in M'Kie & Pope's livery stable, where he solicits a share of public patronage.

FARIS & SHIPMAN have just received a choice lot of Havana Tobacco of Extra Quality, for fine cigars—dealers will do well to examine before ordering elsewhere.

THE Home Sewing machine appears to be taking the lead. Briggs has it on sale, with all the latest improvements. Call and see it, with samples of work.

THE RAILROAD And the Fancy and Staple Grocery Store of G. W. Donnell, son are the two BIG THINGS of San Marcos and Hays county.

BRACKETS in variety, wall-pockets, small picture frames, match safes, and other nice articles of scroll saw work, manufactured and for sale by me. Call at the FREE PRESS Book and News Depot and see samples.  
C. R. JULIAN.

BEAUTIFUL MAGNOLIA Not flowers, but the finest Winter Cured Hams. Sold only by G. W. Donnell, who is just in receipt of a lot of Fancy and Staple Groceries. Quality BEST; Prices—CHEAP.

For Sale. An Osborne Self-Blinder, good as new, with latest improvements for sale very cheap. For further particulars apply to  
J. LANDA.  
May 8th. New Braunfels Tex.

ALEXANDER'S Family medicines comprising Pectoral Syrup, Neutralizing Cordial, Blood Purifier, Tonic Pills, Extract Buchu, etc., are for sale by Reynolds and Daniel of this place. We believe they are valuable and popular preparations.

Price Reduced. We have concluded to reduce the price of the few remaining copies of our Description of Hays county one half, viz: single copies 50c.; 6 copies for 25c.; 14 copies for 50 cts, and 40 copies for \$1. Just the thing to send to friends abroad. For particulars see last page of this paper.

I am Alone Again. I am playing a lone hand dealing out honest goods at small Rail Road profits, my stock in all lines complete. The best stock of Ladies, Misses and children's shoes ever offered in this community. Car load of fine St. Louis fur to arrive in a few days. My dress goods department is complete, a beautiful line of Ladies Neck-wear price from 10c to \$2.00.

Splendid line of clothing, and Gent's furnishing goods. You are very respect fully solicited to call and examine my stock before going elsewhere. We take much pleasure in showing our goods.  
P. R. TURNER.

FORSYTH & Co., have recently opened their kiln of brick that was burnt for the purpose of testing the clay in this vicinity. Mr. T. B. Lea who has had considerable experience in the Brick business and is also connected with the machine, pronounces the yellow joint clay superior to any in this country. From the sample they seem to be first class brick. They have a great many engaged and will begin operations in a few days.

Success to the enterprise. THE examination at Coronal Institute will begin on Thursday next and continue till Wednesday of the following week.

## The Railroad Depot Question

Has been the engrossing one in our midst this week. The Railroad Company having selected grounds within the specifications of their charter, furnished our corporate authorities with a statement and map of the same. They were found to belong to various parties, and it has been found that some \$7,000 will be required to pay for the same. The two-fold duty has therefore devolved upon our people to settle with each of the parties interested in said property, and then to raise the required amount. At a meeting of the citizens at the Court House on Wednesday night two committees were appointed having in view these objects, who have since been successfully prosecuting the work assigned them.—We should have stated, however, that most of the work had been done previously by committees appointed by the town Council.—Upon the whole the enterprise has turned out to be more extensive and complicated than was anticipated. We suppose there is no doubt that the necessary money will be secured, but it is important that no one should suffer hardships to do so. This is quite unnecessary, if all interested will pay according to their means, and we are unable to see how any just or honorable man can get his own consent that his neighbors should pay his part for him. It is a vital matter to San Marcos, involving, it might be, in case of failure, her very existence, but promising, if successful, a new era in her growth and prosperity. The people of all this part of the county, and of adjacent portions of other counties doing business here, are almost equally interested, and should, and we believe will, when called on and the situation explained to them, lend their aid in the matter. Let all, both of the town and vicinity, who have as yet subscribed nothing, make haste to contribute, so that the question may at once and forever be settled in the right way.

### Personals.

Mr. Maxey, attorney, Austin, called on us on advertising business, on Wednesday.

Mr. Lindsey, who is farming on Col. Herndon's place, exhibited to us a cotton bloom on Thursday.

Mr. Hutchins informed us the first of the week that he had seen two cotton blooms—not volunteers—in his field.

Mr. Travis was permitted to harvest his fine field of wheat before the advance of the railroad marred its beauty. It was the nicest wheatfield we have seen.

Capt. Hayes, vice President of the International, Maj. Hunter and other railroad dignitaries were in town the past week, stopping we believe at Hofheinz Hotel.

Mr. McDaniel, late of the Lookhart News-Echo—which he has sold to Mr. Smith, a lawyer of that place—and Mr. Browne, of the same town, called on us last week.

Mr. Sanford has sold his store to Mr. McGrill, a gentleman formerly from Northern Texas, as we learn, and who expects to locate here, with other branches of his family.

We inadvertently failed last week to notice a sample of some wheat from Mrs. Worsham's place, handed us by Mr. Warren. The grains were remarkably plump and fair, indicating a fine crop.

Mr. Green was lately called on to issue a license to his brother clerk, Capt. McDowell, of Caldwell county. He was married to Mrs. R. W. Harrison, at the residence of the bride, by Rev. Mr. Gillett.

Mr. Williamson, who is farming on Bugg's place, handed us on Wednesday an embryo ear of corn, with grains visibly developing, and said he had 18 acres in the same stage of progress. So we shall have roasting-ears soon.

K. D. Keith & Son, lumber dealers, called on us on Wednesday. Their horse ran off on their way up from Luling, badly smashing up their buggy, and injuring Mr. K. Sen., but we believe not very seriously. We noticed last week the fact that these gentlemen are starting a lumber yard at this place, and are glad to learn that both of them will spend considerable time here.

Miss McDonald, referred to in our last, representing Mrs. Swisher's magazine, spent several days in our town the present week, and by her prepossessing personal appearance and pleasing manners made a quite favorable impression. We regret that her visit was badly timed on account of the excitement concerning the location of the railroad depot; nevertheless she did effective work for said magazine and made many friends, who will hope for a repetition of her visit. She will remain till the middle of next week.

D. S. Combs left on Monday on the cattle-drive to the North.

SEE announcement of Mr. Fortson as a candidate for Assessor, to be found in its proper place.

## Rapid Progress of the International.

Mr. T. H. Banks, just returned from a trip to Austin, comes back overflowing with good reports about the work on the International, and the fine fields of grain and cotton along the road from San Antonio to Austin. He came directly along the line of the International, and says it is truly

### WONDERFUL TO REALIZE

what a great amount of work has been done within the past month, and with what energy it progresses. In response to inquiries, he was told that there was about fifteen hundred men now at work on the road, and that the force was being increased daily. The Colorado is to be temporarily bridged, while the permanent bridge is in course of construction, and work has already commenced on the bridges over the various creeks from Austin to and including the San Marcos river. The road will cross the San Marcos near the old mill just below the Austin road crossing. A force of men is now busily engaged at this point. There have already been

### TWENTY MILES GRADED.

Mr. Banks says, though not in a continuous line, but counting the different mile sections where the work has been completed. One sub-contractor for grading eight miles, in a little more than a week finished a mile and a half, and progressed well along the full distance of his contract. The road between San Antonio and the points where work is going on is lined with men seeking labor, and they have no trouble in securing all they want. A large party which had been at work on the Galveston and Santa Fe road arrived at San Marcos a few days ago and have now four camps from San Marcos this way. Another large body of graders from the same road is en route for the scene of labor, and will be placed on the New Braunfels end of the line. Mr. Banks says he never saw such

### A GREAT DISPLAY OF ENERGY

as is witnessed in the prosecution of this work. He observed many stonecutters and other laborers from San Antonio at work on the bridges and on the grading. The Statesman of Austin, says that farmers can not secure the help they need to chop out cotton and do general work about their farms. All hands are on the railroad. In conversation with the contractors, Mr. Banks was told that it was expected to complete the grading to San Antonio by the first of October. All hands are anxious to reach the Alamo city, and talk as though they expected to be met by our people with peeled bananas to drop into their mouths. Many of the men at work have their families with them and are hardy, sober and industrious. These talk of securing lands in western Texas as for farms, and are going to save what they earn to establish themselves as citizens of this country. The policy of the International has ever been to build up the country through which it runs, and these people are undoubtedly being encouraged to pursue the course they have decided upon, which is certainly born of wisdom. The most difficult stretch to be graded is just this side of the Colorado river, where hills of solid rock have to be gone through. The steam drills will be in operation in three or four days however, when cuts through the hills will be made with greater rapidity than by the common method of drilling by hand.

THE BEAUTIFUL FIELDS OF GRAIN along the road to Austin, Mr. Banks says, attracted his attention. He never saw anything to equal it even in the older states. Oats and rye and barley were even with the fences and corn was immense. At no farm was there a sign of idleness, but the demand was for more help. Many of the Mexicans who were lounging about the streets of San Antonio last winter are engaged by the farmers of San Marcos and Stringtown, and are earning good wages. In talks with farmers, they told him that the acreage of oats would range all the way from seventy-five to one hundred bushels. They also said that never before in the history of their experience as farmers had they such fair promises of heavy crops as this season.

### THE COMAL COUNTY FARMERS

are working from early morn till darkness stops them. Men, women and children are at the plow or the hoe, and the brown ankles of the fat and healthy maidens, as they stoop to chop out the cotton, were particularly attractive to Mr. Banks' eye, though he does not believe in subjecting the gentler sex to that sort of labor. These farmers are already harvesting oats, barley, wheat and rye. They planted a larger acreage in small grain than ever before, and have made larger crops than ever. They are planting cotton where the small grain grew, and have hopes to more than recover the losses sustained by the unfavorableness of last season. —[San Antonio Express, 22d inst.]

SEE announcement for the FREE PRESS.

SICKE our last two stores have been opened by supposed robbers, but no material loss sustained. Native enterprise we suspect, hoping to implicate railroad hands.

ANOTHER great rain on Thursday night. A great deal more east, not so much west. This it is thought will insure the corn crop. The San Marcos and Blanco were nearly bank-full.

### Special Notice!

Those desiring advertisements or local notices must hand them in on or before THURSDAY, in order to insure their insertion the same week.

CALL and see specimens of Job Work at this office.

THERE is no necessity for there being an idle man in this whole section at this time. There is a demand for labor among the farmers, and the International is furnishing employment to hundreds. Quite a large number have already left this city to secure work on the extension of that road, and the absence of idlers upon our streets is marked. The Austin Statesman reports a similar state of affairs in that city. It says: "The International has about drawn all the laboring men out of the city, and farmers are having trouble getting hands to chop out cotton."—[S. A. Express.]

### Something to Read.

The following are some of the papers copies of which I am prepared to furnish by the year, or for shorter periods on accommodating terms, or single numbers of which I have for sale.

#### DAILIES.

New York Tribune  
Sun  
St. Louis Republican  
Leading Texas Dailies.

#### WEEKLIES.

Atlanta Constitution  
The Sunny South  
Detroit Free Press  
Chicago Ledger  
New York Weekly  
Youth's Companion  
Indianapolis Sentinel  
Prairie Farmer, Chicago  
American Stock Journal, Chicago  
etc., etc., etc.

#### MONTHLIES.

Lippincott's Magazine  
Library Magazine  
Godey's Lady's Book  
Peterson's Magazine  
Southern Cultivator  
American Agriculturist  
Demorest's Magazine  
Erich's Fashion Quarterly  
Smith's  
Phrenological Journal  
Ballou's Magazine  
Star Spangled Banner  
And others.

Also Lakeside, Seaside, Union Square and Nickel Libraries and other new publications, children's books, etc.

Call and examine at the FREE PRESS Book and News Stand of  
C. R. JULIAN.

BALLOU'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR JUNE.—Ballou's Monthly Magazine for June is a perfect specimen of a family serial, there being such a combination of all sorts of matter to interest old and young—illustrated articles, poetry, music, stories, and wit and humor. Five editions of the January, February, March, and April numbers have been put to press, and still the public call for more. We are glad of this, for Ballou's is one of the magazines that we can recommend for family use and reading. The music is alone worth more than the price of the publication.  
Published by Thomas & Talbot, 23 Hawley Street, Boston, Mass., at \$1.50 per annum, postpaid, and for sale at all the news depots in the country.

### For all Female Complaints

nothing equals Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is a most powerful restorative tonic, also combining the most valuable nerve properties, especially adapting it to the wants of debilitated ladies suffering from weak back, inward fever, congestion, inflammation, or ulceration, or from nervous, or neuralgic pains. Mr. G. W. Seymour, druggist, of Canton, N. Y., writes Dr. Pierce as follows: "The demand for your Favorite Prescription is wonderful, and one man stated to me that his wife had not done a day's work in five months, when she commenced taking your Favorite Prescription, took two bottles and is now on the third bottle, and is able to do her household alone and milk fourteen cows twice a day." Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is sold by all dealers in medicines.

### Hope for Consumptives at Last.

From official record, we learn that over sixty thousand persons die annually in the United States from pulmonary consumption. In each of these cases there was a first or incipient stage of the disease, when all the life forces and organic structures were yet unimpaired by its encroachments. If at this time an agent had been found which could give to the system a higher degree of vitality, and so enable it to resist the deadly assault, this perilous crisis would have been safely passed. And not this one only. In every subsequent assault of the enemy, especially where there existed some hereditary taint, a prompt resort to the same revitalizing agent would have given a like relief and immunity. Now it is confidently claimed, and the claim is substantiated by the results of over twelve years' experience of its use, that just such an agent has been discovered in Compound Oxygen, the use of which is rapidly extending. If you wish to learn all about this new treatment, address DR. STANLEY & PALLEN Philadelphia, Pa. and they will promptly mail you their Treatise on Compound Oxygen.

Our drug stores are now supplied with "Malt Bitters," the new Food Medicine which has done so much good and comes to us so highly recommended. Try it. It may save you heavy doctors' bills.  
May 29th

### A Household Need.

A book on the Liver, its diseases and their treatment sent free. Including treatises upon Liver Complaints, Torpid Liver, Jaundice, Biliousness, Headache, Constipation, Dyspepsia, Malaria, etc. Address DR. SANFORD, 162 Broadway, New York City, N. Y. May 29th

SAN MARCOS, May 24, 1880.

EDITOR FREE PRESS:—Please allow me through your paper to state, that since I became a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Hays county, an aged and esteemed friend, and others who have been unfortunate in life, have offered for the same position. For this reason I decline to continue in the race. I return thanks to my many friends who have given me assurance of their support.  
Respectfully,  
JAMES G. STOREY.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ELECTION, NOVEMBER 2, 1880.

#### COUNTY CLERK:

We are authorized to announce H. A. MOHEANS as a candidate for County Clerk of Hays county.

#### COUNTY JUDGE:

To the voters of Hays county: I am a candidate for the office of County Judge of your county. My past record, in a similar capacity, is my only guaranty for the future.  
Respectfully,  
C. W. GROOMS.

#### COUNTY PROSECUTOR:

We are authorized to announce O. T. BROWN as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney for Hays county.

#### TREASURER:

We are authorized to announce D. P. HOPKINS as a candidate for Treasurer of Hays county.

#### SHERIFF:

We are authorized to announce H. E. BARBER as a candidate for Sheriff of Hays county.

#### ASSESSOR:

We are authorized to announce R. S. FORTSON as a candidate for Assessor of Hays county.

To the Voters of Hays County.—I respectfully solicit your suffrage for the office of Assessor of Taxes of Hays county, and promise a faithful discharge of duty should you honor me by electing me to said office.  
ALSTON DUGGAN.

### A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. JOSEPH T. INMAN, Station D, New York City.  
May 15th

NO MORE RHEUMATISM OR GOUT. SALLICYLA. SURE CURE. Manufactured only under the above Trade Mark by the EUROPEAN SALLICYLA MEDICINE CO., of Paris and Leipzig.

Immediate Relief Warranted. Permanent Cure Guaranteed. Now exclusively used by all celebrated Physicians of Europe and America. The highest Medical Academy of Paris reports 95 cures out of 100 cases within three days.

Secret.—The only dissolver of the poisonous Ur Acid which exists in the Blood of Rheumatic and Gouty Patients.

CURED. CURED. CURED. H. S. Dewey, Esq., 201 Broadway, Inflammatory Rheumatism. J. Leavay, Esq., 455 Washington Market, Chronic Rheumatism. Mrs. E. Towne, 63 East Ninth street, (chafly formations in the joints,) Chronic Rheumatism. A. M. Packer, 74 Newark avenue, Jersey City, Chronic Rheumatism. John F. Chamberlain, Esq., Washington City, Washington, D. C., Rheumatic Gout. Wm. E. Arnold, Esq., 12 Weybosset street, Providence, R. I., of twenty years' Chronic Rheumatism. John C. Turgate, 109 Sanchez street, San Francisco, Neuralgia and Sciatica.

For Malarial, Intermittent and Chronic Fevers, Chills and Ague.

Sallycylla is a Certain Cure, Superseding entirely the use of Sulphate of Quinine, as it will not only cut the fever, but will achieve a RADICAL CURE, without any of the inconveniences and troubles arising from QUININE.

\$1 a Box six boxes for \$5.

Sent free by Mail on receipt of money.

ASK YOUR DRUGGIST FOR IT, but make no imitation or substitute, as our Sallycylla (copyrighted) is guaranteed to relieve, or money refunded, and will be delivered free on receipt of orders, by calling on or addressing

WASHBURNE & CO.

SOLE AGENTS,

212 Broadway, cor. Fulton St., (Knox Building), N. Y.

March 20th.

AGENTS WANTED for the best and fast-selling

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## BUSINESS CARDS.

### DR. WM. A. McGEHEE,

A recent graduate of the University of Louisville, having located at Mountain City, respectfully tenders his professional services to the citizens of that vicinity, in the practice of medicine in its various branches.  
Office, for the present, at the residence of Mrs. Manlove.  
May 29th

### DR. JOHN L. PAYNE.

Having permanently located in San Marcos, respectfully tenders his professional services to the citizens of the town and vicinity in the practice of Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology. The cure of the Optum Ebbi made a specialty. Charges regulated by those of the physicians of the town. Office—Reynolds & Daniel's Drug Store. Office hours, 9 to 12 A. M., and 1 to 4 P. M.  
April 18th.

### DRS. DENTON & PENDLETON,

Physicians, Surgeons, and Specialists in the Treatment of Diseases of the EYE AND EAR.

Dr. Denton having just completed a protracted course of study in University at Berlin, Germany, of Medicine and Surgery, is now prepared to operate upon, or treat any and all diseases of the EYE or EAR, at our office, near Northwest corner Plaza.  
Mar 18th

### MITCHELL & GLOVER,

BANKERS.

San Marcos, Texas.  
Collection promptly attended to.  
(August 29-31)

### BROWN & COFFIELD,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

SAN MARCOS, HAYS CO., TEXAS.  
Office in Mitchell Building. Partners in none but civil business. Begin 1st January, 1880.  
Jan 3rd

### W. O. HUTCHISON, THOS. H. FRANKLIN

HUTCHISON & FRANKLIN,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

San Marcos, Tex.

Prompt attention paid to Collecting Claims and Examining Land Titles. (Feb 1-ly)

### STERLING FISHER,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

General Land and Collecting Agent

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

Office North side Plaza, opposite Court house. Will buy and sell lands, examine titles, render assessments, pay taxes, &c.  
Jan 23rd

### A DESIRABLE HOME,

With first-rate Dwelling house and young Orchard and other good improvements. Quantity of land from 15 to 18 acres and first-class. Known as the Todd place, on San Antonio street. For sale at low price. For terms of sale apply to  
Mar. 20-2m. S. B. MORRISON.

### J. H. COMBS,

DENTAL SURGEON.

Mechanical and Operative Dentistry in its various branches at reasonable rates. All work done in the neatest style. Diseased gums and bad breath promptly relieved. Feb. 1-ly

### MRS. THOMAS

Milliner and Dressmaker,

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

Having lately removed from Austin, has opened a shop at her residence, near Mitchell's Building, where she is prepared to attend to any work in her line in the latest styles and best manner. She respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage.  
May 8th

### I. H. JULIAN,

BOOKSELLER,

—AND—

Newspaper and Periodical Agent

SAN MARCOS, TEX.

Will take Subscriptions for all the leading Newspapers and Magazines, North or South, at publishers' prices, free of charge, or club them with the FREE PRESS at reduced rates. Any book also furnished. Terms Cash in advance.

### GEO. HENNE,

—Manufacturer of—

Tin, Copper and Sheet-Iron

WARE.

Shane's old stand, San Marcos, Texas. Agent for the celebrated Spirit of '76 and Now South Cook Stoves.  
Selling and Roofing a Specialty. (Feb 1-ly)

### THE LONE STAR

FURNITURE STORE!

WARD & HOPKINS,

(East side Plaza.)

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

Keep all kinds of Furniture, Bedsteads, Tables, Chairs, Sofas, Wardrobes, Bureaus, Mattresses, Window Shades, Chromes and Mottos France.

COFFINS, OF ALL SIZES.

Singer Sewing Machine Needles and Oil on hand, at low prices.

\$300 A MONTH guaranteed. \$12 a day

at home made by the industrious. Capital not required; we will start you. Men, women, boys and girls make money faster at work for us than at anything else. The work is light and pleasant, and such as anyone can go right at. Those who are wise who see this notice will send us their addresses at once and see for themselves. Costly outfit and terms free. Now is the time. Those already at work are laying up large sums of money. Address TRICK & CO., Augusta, Maine.  
June 24th

### BARNES' PATENT FOOT

POWER MACHINERY.

CIRCULAR SAW, MILL, DRILL, and all kinds of Machinery and Engines.

For actual working business, send for descriptive Catalogue and Price List. W. F. & J. BARNES, Rockford, Illinois.

### ENTRUST NOTICE.

ENTRUSTED—By W. E. McKie, before C.